## House Resolution 517

By: Representatives Carson of the  $46^{th}$ , Fleming of the  $121^{st}$ , Jones of the  $47^{th}$ , and Williamson of the  $115^{th}$ 

## A RESOLUTION

- 1 Recognizing and commending David Stanton, Ireland's Government Minister for Equality,
- 2 Immigration, and Integration; and for other purposes.
- 3 WHEREAS, David Stanton has long been recognized by the citizens of Ireland for the vital
- 4 role that he has played in leadership and his deep personal commitment to the welfare of its
- 5 citizens; and

6 WHEREAS, David Stanton has been serving as Minister of State for Justice at the

7 Department of Justice and Equality with special responsibility for Equality, Immigration, and

- 8 Integration since May 19, 2016; and
- 9 WHEREAS, under David's leadership, the Joint Oireachtas Committee on Justice, Defence,
- 10 and Equality dealt with a vast array of policy and legislation in areas such as legal capacity,
- 11 domestic and sexual violence, prostitution, bankruptcy, firearms, penal reform, and numerous
- 12 pieces of legislation in the criminal justice area; and

13 WHEREAS, approximately 800,000 Georgians proudly claim Irish heritage, a shared history

14 that started shortly after the arrival of the first settlers in Georgia and continues to the present

- 15 day; and
- 16 WHEREAS, with increasing economic and academic links between the State of Georgia and

17 Ireland, this historic relationship continues to flourish with David Stanton's adept guidance;

- 18 and
- 19 WHEREAS, his significant organizational and leadership talents, remarkable patience and
- 20 diplomacy, keen sense of vision, and sensitivity to the needs of others have earned him the
- 21 respect and admiration of his colleagues and associates; and

- 22 WHEREAS, it is abundantly fitting and proper that the outstanding accomplishments of this
- 23 extraordinary public servant be appropriately recognized.
- 24 NOW, THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES that
- 25 the members of this body commend David Stanton, Ireland's Government Minister for
- 26 Equality, Immigration, and Integration, for his magnificent public service on behalf of the
- 27 citizens of Ireland and recognize the deep bonds of commerce, history, and friendship
- 28 between the State of Georgia and Ireland.
- 29 BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that the Clerk of the House of Representatives is authorized
- 30 and directed to make an appropriate copy of this resolution available for distribution to David
- 31 Stanton, Ireland's Government Minister for Equality, Immigration, and Integration.